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KIDS KRAZE

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CITY OF BLOOMINGTON
parks and recreation

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KID CITY Summer Camps

Registration
opens
April 10.



Additional transportation
provided by:



Session A: June 2–6
Session B: June 9–13
Session C: June 16–20

Session D: June 23–27
Session E: June 30–July 3*
Session F: July 7–11

Session G: July 14–18
Session H: July 21–25
Session I: July 28–August 1

Camp	Grades 2014–2015 school year	Sessions	Times	Location	Weekly Cost/City	Weekly Cost/Non-City
Kid City Original	K–4	A–I	7:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m.	Allison-Jukebox Community Center	\$155	\$160
Kid City Quest	5–7	A–I	7:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m.	Allison-Jukebox Community Center	\$155	\$160
CIT Program	8–10	B–C, D–E, F–G	7:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m.	Allison-Jukebox Community Center	\$165	\$170

*Session E: No camp on July 4. The cost for this session is prorated \$124/in-city, \$128/non-city for Kid City Original and Kid City Quest. For the CIT Program, this session is prorated \$148.50/in-city, \$153/non-city.

- For all camps, a non-refundable deposit of \$30 per session per child is due at the time of registration. This deposit is applied to the session fee. Session registrations and payments are due in full by 5 p.m. the Monday prior to the start of a selected session. Failure to do so will result in forfeiture of deposit and reserved space. Registration materials can be downloaded from the Web site (bloomington.in.gov/kidcity) beginning April 10. Online registration is not available for any Kid City camp program.
- Participants who are not registered by the registration deadline will be assessed a \$30 administration fee.
- Registrations are accepted by walk-in at the Parks and Recreation office or by mail at 401 N. Morton St., Ste. 250, Bloomington, IN 47404. If your child is already registered for camp, credit card payment can be made online, or over the phone at 349-3700.

break days

Summer fun ...
when school's out!

Stay active during school breaks
with Break Days, presented by
Bloomington Parks and Recreation and MCCSC.

Spend your Spring Break days hanging out with your friends, exploring the city and IU campus on field trips, staying physically active playing sports and games, and getting in touch with nature!

Binford Elementary School,
2300 E. Second St.

7:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m.

Break Days are for students in grades K-6.

Registration fee is \$35/student/day, and includes
all snacks, field trips, etc. for the entire day.

Online registration is not available for Break Days.
To register, visit bloomington.in.gov/kidcity to
download the registration and health forms. Register in
person at the Bloomington Parks and Recreation office.

For registration and scholarship information, call 349-3700.
For inclusion services or more information on Break Days
activities, call 349-3747.



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S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
16	17	18	19	20	21	22

Register by March 10.

■ = Break Day!

Gardens for Kids

Let's bring out the kid in all of us by creating gardens that speak to child passions. From small ponds to small fruits, hiding places and flowers, the instructor uses her experience creating and observing her own permaculture garden and children to inspire you and your family. We cover design considerations, encouraging children's sensibilities, connecting with nature in the garden, and the practical aspects of creating these spaces. Co-sponsored by Bloomingfoods and Hilltop Garden and Nature Center. Instructor: Rhonda Baird, permaculture designer and teacher

W 4/9 • 6–8 p.m.

Register by 4/7 (Code 76506-A)

\$16/in-city, \$20/non-city • For all ages.

Hilltop Garden and Nature Center,
2367 E. 10th St.



Birthday Parties



Twin Lakes Recreation Center

Rental includes tables, chairs, and use
of the party room. For more information
on booking a party, call 349-3720.

\$40/hour for use of the party
room only

\$60/hour includes use of one
basketball court

\$75/hour includes use of Studio A or B

\$90/hour includes use of the turf

Register online at bloomington.in.gov/parks.



Designed for the beginning through advanced player, this league focuses on responsible competition, including skill building and a complete understanding of the game. Several levels of play are offered, ranging from tee ball to fastpitch for players ages 4–15 yrs. Each player receives a full competition-quality uniform. This league is instructed and overseen by certified youth sports professionals, ensuring a quality experience for all players and parents. Players can play up, or in more than one league, with the approval of league commissioner. Please note special requests for team placements (e.g. on the same team as friends) on the registration form. We make every attempt to accommodate special requests. **For more information, contact Jeigh Hockersmith at 349-3774 or hockersj@bloomington.in.gov.**

Games are played mostly on weekdays with the possibility of some weekend games. Participants play one to two games a week with one practice per week. Practices are conducted April 12–July 18. League concludes with a post-season tournament. **Players registering after March 28 will be assessed a \$10 late registration fee. Registrations will not be accepted after April 3.**
\$80/in-city, \$90/non-city • Days, dates, times, and locations TBD


My daughter was born in:	Her league is:	Registration code is:	Registration deadline:	Her team placement day at Lower Cascades ballfields* Wear comfortable clothes, cleats, and bring your gear.	Duration of league:
2007, 2008, or 2009	Intro League Coach Pitch/Tee ball (6U)	77203-A	3/28	Sunday, April 6, noon–12:30 p.m.	4/12–7/18
2005 or 2006	Mid-Minor League Coach Pitch (8U)	77203-B	3/28	Sunday, April 6, 12:30–1 p.m.	4/12–7/18
2003 or 2004	Minor League Player Pitch (10U)	77203-C	3/28	Sunday, April 6, 1–1:30 p.m.	4/12–7/18
2001 or 2002	Mid-Major League Player Pitch (12U)	77203-D	3/28	Sunday, April 6, 1:30–2 p.m.	4/12–7/18
1999 or 2000	Major League Player Pitch (14U)	77203-E	3/28	Sun., April 6, 2–2:30 p.m.	4/12–7/18
In middle school in 2013 or 2014	Middle School League Player Pitch	77203-F	3/28	You will be contacted by your coach.	4/12–7/18

*If you cannot attend team placement day during these times, contact Jeigh Hockersmith at 349-3774 or hockersj@bloomington.in.gov to discuss your player’s playing ability and/or a make-up time.
In the event of rain, call the Outdoor Sports Hotline at 349-3610 and press option #1 for further instructions. If it rains, your team placement day still takes place; the Hotline will inform you of the indoor location for team placement.
Middle School League: please note which middle school the player will attend in Fall 2014 on the registration form.

Coaches wanted!
For more information about volunteering to coach, contact volunteer coordinator Kim Ecenbarger at 349-3739.
Selected coaches are strongly encouraged to attend the coaches meeting immediately following player evaluations at Lower Cascades ballfields on Sunday, April 6. We will discuss rules, league placement, and practice progression/techniques. In the event of rain, the meeting will be held at the same location as player evaluations. If you cannot attend, contact Jeigh Hockersmith to go over information discussed at the meeting.
All selected coaches must complete an online coaching certification course from either the National Youth Sports Coaches Association (NYSCA) or the Amateur Softball Association (ASA). The certification fee is \$25. Scholarships are available to offset expenses associated with the online training. For more information, contact Jeigh Hockersmith at 349-3774 or hockersj@bloomington.in.gov.

Experience

The Great Outdoors



Children under age 12 yrs. must be accompanied by a registered adult.

Geodes Unearthed

Uncover the wonder of the popular and peculiar geological formations known as geodes on this hike along the trails at Griffy Lake Nature Preserve. Each participant receives a geode, and will have the opportunity to crack it open during the program. Waterproof footwear is recommended. Instructor: Derek Greene

Sa 3/22 • 2–3 p.m. • Register by 3/18 (Code 74005-A)

\$8/in-city, \$10/non-city • For all ages.

Griffy Lake Nature Preserve, 3300 N. Headley Rd.

Meet at the boathouse.

Healthy Creeks=Healthy People

Join others around the world as we celebrate United Nations World Water Day! We will jump in (literally!) to explore Griffy Creek and examine its physical, chemical, and biological characteristics. Together, the three give a pretty good indication of a creek’s water quality. All the tools and equipment needed for testing the water and for a close-up look at little critters that live on the bottom (benthic macroinvertebrates) are provided, along with journals to record our findings. For more information about United Nations World Water Day, visit unwater.org. Instructor: Kriste Lindberg

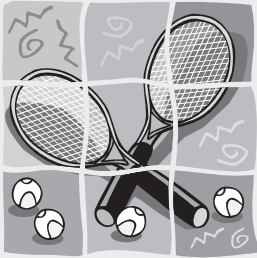
Sa 3/22 • 10 a.m.–noon • Register by 3/20 (Code 74007-A)

\$3/in-city, \$4/non-city • For ages 6 yrs. and up.

Griffy Lake Nature Preserve, 3300 N. Headley Rd.

Youth Tennis Lessons

Pick up a racquet and take spring tennis lessons. Instructors are accomplished players and trained through the USPTA curriculum. Typical student to teacher ratio is 5:1. For more information, call 349-3762.



Beginner—For ages 7–12 yrs.

M, W 5/5–5/28 • 4:15–5 p.m. • Register by 4/30 (Code 77003-A)

Tu, Th 5/6–5/29 • 5–5:45 p.m. • Register by 4/30 (Code 77003-C)

Intermediate—For ages 7–12 yrs.

M, W 5/5–5/28 • 5–5:45 p.m. • Register by 4/30 (Code 77003-B)

Beginner/Intermediate—For ages 13–17 yrs.

Tu, Th 5/6–5/29 • 5:45–6:30 p.m. • Register by 4/30 (Code 77003-D)

\$38/in-city, \$46/non-city • For ages 6–12 yrs.

Winslow Sports Complex, 2800 S. Highland Ave.

Lessons will not be held on 5/26; instructors will inform participants of the make-up date.

Private Tennis Lessons

If group lessons are not your style or if you like more personalized attention, private lessons are available from our group instructors. Times are flexible. For more information, contact Dee Tuttle at 349-3762 or tuttled@bloomington.in.gov.

Register online at bloomington.in.gov/parks.